

SAL Meeting Notes July 2013

- Welcome: We are still working out the kinks in providing SALs working proximity cards for Bldg 20 on Cp Murray. A list of individuals submitted for a prox card to date was provided and individuals on the list were asked to verify their cards worked or to check with Cp Murray security to be issued a prox card or to have their card activated.
- Training: James Yates provided information on accessing the Training and Exercise page from the EMD public web site [http://www.emd.wa.gov/training/training_index.shtml] including examples of different courses and exercises to be found there. The Annual Exercise and Training Schedule was developed earlier and a coordination draft will be distributed August 1. Some exercise activities upcoming are Aug 28, Corrective Action Conference, Oct 23, Annual Wind Storm Tabletop (TTX) and Nov 13 a Continuity of Operations (COOP) exercise. For EOC staff training the contact is Todd Kilpatrick at (253) 512-7045.
- Operations Update: Chris Utzinger addressed an effort to get the assistance of SAL and their agencies to help identify automatic activation criteria. Chris is sending out his matrix with instruction for completing it. He needs it back by August 31, 2013.
- Rick Geittmann provided an overview of the Situation Viewer he is working to develop for the EOC. The viewer will provide options to present various internet feeds based on the disaster scenario and the requirements of the user and their position within the EOC. The project is scheduled to reach an Initial Operations Capability (IOC) by the end of 2013.
- US Army Corps of Engineers: Dave Spicer presented 2 slide decks. The Corps is active with jurisdictions at all levels regarding water management (dikes, dams) and navigable waters. They normally provide a liaison to the EOC during severe flooding.
- Catastrophic Planning: Jim Hutchinson presented the slide deck identifying issues that arise in catastrophic disasters and criteria he is publishing for various catastrophic contingency options. He will need assistance from the SAL community in developing these contingency options.
- Fact Sheets: Revised Fact Sheets were presented by the Office of financial Management and the Commission on National and Community Service.
- Fire Season: Jeannie Abbott provided a general overview of current wildland fire status and threats. Her slides are included. In summary the number of fires is down on a year-by-year basis but the acreage burned is up. The fuels are dry and small fires can quickly expand if winds kick up. We expect slightly dryer than normal weather. The western US - in particular the SW - has been much hotter than normal and the fire danger south of us is already high. Oregon has a higher-than-normal fire danger in the near term.